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SUBJECT: Admission Policies for the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USUHS)

References: (a) DoD Directive 6010.7,"Admission Policies and Procedures for the School of Medicine, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences," August 27, 1975 (hereby canceled)

- (b) Title 10, United States Code
- (c) <u>DoD Directive 5105.45</u>, "Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences," April 19, 1991
- (d) <u>DoD Instruction 6010.20</u>, "Admission Procedures for the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USUHS)," June 17, 1997

#### 1. REISSUANCE AND PURPOSE

This Directive:

- 1.1. Reissues reference (a).
- 1.2. Establishes policies and assigns responsibilities under references (b) and (c) for the selection of matriculants to the USUHS.
  - 1.3. Provides policy authority for the procedures detailed in reference (d).

## 2. <u>APPLICABILITY AND SCOPE</u>

This Directive applies to:

- 2.1. The Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Military Departments, and the USUHS.
  - 2.2. The Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board.

## 3. POLICY

- 3.1. The USUHS encompasses two schools, the F. Edward Hébert School of Medicine (SOM) and the Graduate School of Nursing (GSN). The SOM admits students (Medical Officer Candidates) to the Doctor of Medicine (M.D.) program and to non-M.D. degree-granting graduate programs. The GSN admits registered nurses into one of several advanced nursing practice tracks.
- 3.2. In making admissions decisions, the USUHS shall adhere to the principle of equal educational opportunity for all. Careful consideration shall be given to all available information about each applicant, and students shall be selected on a competitive basis without regard to race, sex, color, creed, religion, national origin, marital status, or State of residence.

#### 4. <u>RESPONSIBILITIES</u>

The <u>Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs</u>, under the <u>Under Secretary of</u> Defense for Personnel and Readiness, shall:

- 4.1. Monitor compliance with this Directive.
- 4.2. Determine, in coordination with the Secretaries of the Military Departments and the President, USUHS, the number of spaces in each entering Medical Officer Candidate class to be allocated to the respective components.
- 4.3. Consider the advice and recommendations of the USUHS Board of Regents on matters relating to the administration and management of the SOM and the GSN.
- 4.4. Delegate to the President of USUHS the authority to manage USUHS programs, activities, personnel and resources in the most efficient and effective manner and to ensure that the SOM and the GSN programs meet the standards of appropriate and recognized accrediting, licensing, and certifying agencies.

# 5. <u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>

This Directive is effective immediately.

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